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JERUSALEM FOR USDEL ATHERTON

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR PGOV EG IS
SUBJECT: SADAT REPLY TO BEGIN LETTER

1. FONMIN KAMEL TELEPHONED 1100 LOCAL THIS MORNING. HE SAID THAT AFTER WE HAD LEFT THE PRESIDENCY LAST EVENING, HE AND HIS COLLEAGUES HAD READ THE BEGIN LETTER TO SADAT. IT HAD SHOCKED THEM. IT WAS TOTALLY INCONSISTENT WITH THE TONE AND SPIRIT OF THE SADAT LETTER. KAMEL GRUMBLED THAT, GIVEN BEGIN ATTITUDE AS REFLECTED IN LATEST LETTER, IT HAD BEEN A MISTAKE TO TONE DOWN THE ORIGINAL SADAT MESSAGE.

2. BEGIN HAD AGAIN ARGUED HIS THEORY OF THE ADMISSIBILITY OF THE ACQUISITION OF TERRITORY THROUGH DEFENSIVE WARS AND OTHER CONCEPTS WHICH GOE TOTALLY REJECTS. THERE IS ALWAYS THE DANGER, KAMEL NOTED, THAT BEGIN WILL AT SOME TIME OR OTHER LEAK THIS CORRESPONDENCE. HENCE, KAMEL CONCLUDED, THE BEGIN LETTER NEEDS BE STUDIED CAREFULLY BEFORE A SADAT REPLY IS SENT.

3. IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES, HE WANTS YOU TO KNOW THAT YOU
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WILL NOT RPT NOT HAVE TODAY SADAT'S REPLY TO THE BEGIN LETTER. KAMEL AND HIS MFA COLLEAGUES WANT TO DRAFT THE REPLY VERY CAREFULLY, HAVING IN MIND CONTENTIOUS NATURE OF THE BEGIN MISSIVE. HE HOPES TO BE ABLE TO GIVE IT TO ME NLT FRIDAY, MARCH 10, SO THAT SAM LEWIS CAN DELIVER IT TO BEGIN BEFORE LATTER'S DEPARTURE FOR U.S.

4. SINCE KAMEL ASSUMES YOU MAY HAVE SAID SOMETHING TO
DAYAN THIS MORNING ABOUT EXPECTING ANOTHER SADAT LETTER
FOR DELIVERY TO BEGIN, HE HAS NO OBJECTION IF YOU WISH
TO INFORM BEGIN THAT REPLY IS BEING DELAYED PENDING
FURTHER STUDY OF BEGIN LETTER. YOU COULD ALSO INDICATE
THAT INTENTION IS TO SEND SADAT REPLY PRIOR TO BEGIN'S
DEPARTURE AND THAT LEWIS WILL DELIVER IT. EILTS

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